

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL

In accordance with Section 44-7-200(C), Code of Laws of South Carolina, the public is hereby notified that a Certificate of Need application has been accepted for filing and publication November 25, 2005, for the following project(s). After the application is deemed complete, affected persons will be notified that the review cycle has begun. For further information, please contact Mr. Albert N. Whiteside, Director, Division of Planning and Certification of Need, 2600 Bull St., Columbia, SC 29201 at (803) 545-4200.

Affecting Charleston County

Construction of a freestanding diagnostic imaging center that will centralize outpatient services currently provided by Trident Medical Center including Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI), Computed Tomography (CT), X-ray, Ultrasound and Nuclear Medicine exams. The facility will also include a Positron Emission Tomography/Computed Tomography (PET/CT) scanner as a new service and the lease and service of the mobile PET by Charleston Radiologists, PA will be terminated upon completion of the project.

North Charleston Diagnostic Imaging Center, LLC

North Charleston, South Carolina

Project cost: \$10,000,000

Affecting Horry County

Establishment of an outpatient imaging center to include Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) and Computed Tomography (CT) services.

Carolina Forest Imaging Center, LLC

Myrtle Beach, South Carolina

Project Cost: \$4,447,600

Addition of a third comprehensive cardiac catheterization laboratory.

Grand Strand Regional Medical Center

Myrtle Beach, South Carolina

Project Cost: \$1,699,080

Affecting Lexington County

Replacement of a mobile Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) unit with a fixed Siemens MAGNETOM Espree 1.5 Tesla.

Lexington Medical Center

Lexington, South Carolina

Project Cost: \$2,200,453

Affecting Spartanburg County

Development of an outpatient imaging center with a relocation/upgrade of a 1.5 LX Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) unit, and addition of a sixteen (16) slice Computed Tomography (CT) Scanner.

Mary Black Memorial Hospital

Spartanburg, South Carolina

Project Cost: \$5,044,312

In accordance with S.C. DHEC Regulation 61-15, the public and affected persons are hereby notified that the review cycle has begun for the following project(s) and a proposed decision will be made within 60 days beginning November 25, 2005. "Affected persons" have 30 days from the above date to submit comments or requests for a public hearing to Mr. Albert N. Whiteside, Director, Division of Planning and Certification of Need, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, S.C. 29201. For further information call (803) 545-4200.

Affecting Florence County

Replacement of a Single Slice Computed Tomography (CT) scanner with a Multi-slice (64 slice) CT scanner.

McLeod Regional Medical Center of the Pee Dee, Inc.

Florence, South Carolina

Project Cost: \$1,627,000

Affecting Horry County

Addition of fifty (50) general acute care beds for a total of two hundred ten (210) general acute care beds.

Conway Hospital, Inc. dba Conway Medical Center

Conway, South Carolina

Project Cost: \$24,231,590

Affecting York County

Construction of a one hundred (100) bed acute care hospital to include one (1) diagnostic cardiac catheterization laboratory, one (1) Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) unit, and a sixty-four (64) Slice Computed Tomography (CT) Scanner to be located at the intersection of Highway 160 and Highway 21 Bypass.

Fort Mill Medical Center

Fort Mill, South Carolina

Project Cost: \$124,493,893

SOUTH CAROLINA STATE HEALTH PLANNING COMMITTEE INFORMATIONAL ITEM

The South Carolina State Health Planning Committee met on March 31, 2005 to discuss the General Hospital Bed Need Section of the *2004-2005 South Carolina Health Plan*. At the meeting, the Committee voted to hold public hearings on this section of the Plan to receive additional comments. Four public hearings were held during the week of May 23-27, 2005 and comments were received from the public. The comments were transmitted to the Committee for review. After reviewing the comments, the Committee recommended the following:

No changes should be made to the *2004-2005 South Carolina Health Plan*. Certificate of Need (CON) staff should review CON applications for additional general hospital beds and/or facilities utilizing the current bed need methodology of the *2004-2005 South Carolina Health Plan* in conjunction with the Project Review Criteria as outlined in *Regulation No. 61-15, Certification of Need for Health Facilities and Services*, in order to make CON decisions that are in the best interest of the public. In addition, the staff will review this section of the Plan in detail to recommend any modifications for future considerations by the South Carolina State Health Planning Committee as the new calculations and bed need section of the Draft Plan are formulated during the coming year.